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Energy, Environment and Agriculture Task Force News and Updates  
February 15, 2019

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## **Energy, Environment and Agriculture Task Force** **February 15, 2019**

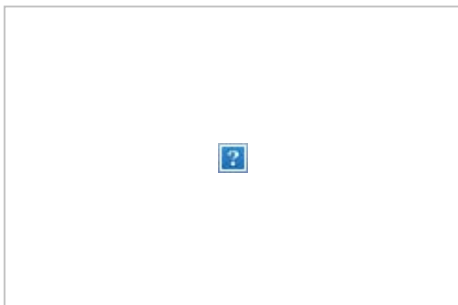
Dear EEA Task Force Members,

I hope you all have had a good first month of 2019 state legislative sessions! If you are working on interesting policy issues, I would love to hear from you about it. Similarly, if there are ALEC model policies or resolutions that you are working in your state, let me know! To start off 2019, I have an announcement about our Task Force Leadership.



### **Task Force Chairs**

Our new Public Sector Co-Chair will be **Representative Mike Kuglitsch** from Wisconsin. I imagine many of you already know representative Kuglitsch, but if you don't, here is the [link to his biography](#) on the Wisconsin legislature website. Representative Kuglitsch has been a dedicated member of ALEC and the task force for several years and we appreciate him taking on this leadership role. **Jennifer Jura** of the Edison Electric Institute will continue as our Private Sector Co-Chair and we appreciate her leadership.



### **Conference Call in March**

The task force will have a conference call in March featuring an update on federal policy coming from Washington as well



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**Grant Kidwell**



**Mark Your**  
**Calendars**

**Tech Policy Exchange**  
**Conference Call Series**



*Tech Policy Exchange  
Conference Calls will occur  
bi-monthly in 2019 on the  
following dates:*

- April 9 at 11 AM EST
- June 11 at 11 AM EST
- August 14 \*Time TBD\*

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as a chance to hear from other members about policies working in their states. If there is a policy that you have worked on and would like to share, [please reach out to me](#).



### **SNPS Model Policy**

All of the model policies from the State and Nation Policy Summit were approved by the Board of Directors and the final versions are available on our [task force webpage](#).



### **Federal News**

#### **[Top 5 Energy Policy Predictions for 2019](#)**

Infrastructure bill, Democratic green legislation, Energy package, Nuclear energy, and Regulations are five issues looking to be big in 2019. [Morning Consult](#)

#### **[House Agriculture Committee Members Announced for 116th Congress](#)**

"The roster for the 116th Congress' House Agriculture Committee has been announced by Chairman Collin Peterson (D-MN) and Ranking Member K. Michael Conaway (R-TX). The roster includes 15 newcomers to the committee, with 13 being freshmen Representatives." [AgWeb](#)



### **Policies in the States**

#### **Critical Infrastructure**

The frigid temperatures brought by the polar vortex this week serve as a reminder of the important of energy infrastructure. Without the pipe and electric lines that heat and power our homes, these temperatures would be unbearable. Thankfully, states have recognized the important of critical infrastructure and are moving to protect it. Illinois H.B.1633, Indiana S.B.0471, Mississippi S.B. 293 and H.B. 1336, Wyoming H.B.0010 are all policies similar to ALEC's Critical Infrastructure Protection Act model policy. [Read about the model policy here](#).

#### **Net-Metering**

Many states are working on net-metering reforms this year. As a refresher, [read ALEC's study on net-metering](#).



March 25 at The Heritage Foundation at 12:30pm EST

[Please Contact Jonathan Williams for more information or to RSVP](#)

#### **Upcoming Meetings**



#### **46th ALEC Annual Meeting**

Austin, TX  
August 14-16, 2019



#### **2019 States and Nation Policy Summit**

Scottsdale, AZ  
December 4-6, 2019

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